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## **WEEKLY INFORMATION REPORT - WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 14, 2003**

The Weekly Information Report is compiled by the Office of the EDO and includes highlights of Headquarters and Regional Office activities.

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## Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

### Meeting on Browns Ferry Unit 1 Restart Project

On February 10, 2003, the NRC staff met with Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) representatives at the NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. The objective of the meeting was for TVA to inform NRC's senior managers of the status of TVA's plans and activities leading to Browns Ferry, Unit 1 restart targeted for 2007. The presentation focused on background information regarding the three Browns Ferry units which were shut down in 1985. Browns Ferry, Units 2 and 3 were restated in 1991 and 1995, respectively. On May 16, 2002, TVA's Board of directors decided to restart Browns Ferry, Unit 1 in 2007 and authorized TVA staff to request a 20-year extension of the operating licenses for the three units.

During this meeting, TVA representatives discussed the work scope, engineering activities, design change packages, the impact on the operating units, and schedules. In addition, TVA representatives discussed the regulatory framework for restarting Unit 1, the corrective action program to monitor quality, self-assessment initiatives, and quality assurance programs.

#### North Anna, Unit 2 - Reactor Pressure Vessel Head (RPVH) Replacement

On February 10, 2003, a public exit meeting was held with Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCO) to discuss the results of the NRC staff's inspection of VEPCO's RPVH replacement project. The NRC staff informed VEPCO that no significant observations or findings had been identified by the inspectors from either the onsite inspection activities or the inspection of the reconciliation and design reports.

#### Turkey Point, Unit 3 & 4

Mr. William Jefferson, Jr. has been named the Interim VP for Turkey Point. Mr. Jefferson currently serves as the VP of operations for all three FPL sites. This appointment is intended to run through the upcoming Turkey Point Unit 3 refueling outage beginning on March 1, 2003.

NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2003-03, Release of Draft Review Standard (RS) 002, "Processing Applications For Early Site Permits," For Interim Use, dated February 6, 2003

The NRC issued this regulatory issue summary to inform addressees of the availability of draft Review Standard 002, "Processing Applications for Early Site Permits," for interim use.

NRC Information Notice 2003-04, Summary of Fitness-For-Duty Program Performance Reports for Calendar Year 2000, dated February 6, 2003

The NRC issued this information notice to report on lessons learned by licensees from their fitness-for-duty (FFD) program performance reports for calendar year 2000. It is expected that recipients will review the information for applicability to their facilities and consider, as appropriate, corrective actions to improve the performance of their FFD programs in the future.

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#### Issuance of Safety Evaluation Reports for License Renewal Applications

On February 6, 2003, the NRC staff issued the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) associated with the Excelon license renewal application for Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3. The staff plans to present the results of its evaluation to the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS), on March 6, 2003.

On February 7, 2003, the staff issued the SER with open items associated with the Florida Power Company's license renewal application for St. Lucie Units 1 and 2. The staff identified 11 open items in this SER. The staff plans to present the results of its evaluation to the ACRS on April 9, 2003.

### <u>Duke License Renewal Application for McGuire 1&2 and Catawba 1&2</u>

On February 4, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (ASLB) granted a motion from Duke Energy Corporation to dismiss a contention from Nuclear Information and Resource Service (NIRS) and the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League (BREDL) that values from a Sandia study (NUREG/CR-6427, "Assessment of the DCH [Direct Containment Heating] Issue for Plants with Ice Condenser Containments) should have been considered in the McGuire and Catawba analyses of mitigation alternatives for hydrogen control during station blackout. In the order, the ASLB also scheduled oral arguments on late-filed contentions related to station blackout mitigation alternatives for February 18, 2003.

On February 6, 2003, the staff presented the results of its evaluation of the McGuire and Catawba license renewal application to the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards. The staff's Safety Evaluation Report issued on January 6, 2003, documented the resolution of 42 open items. The staff discussed the information that had been provided by the applicant to resolve open items.

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## Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

## Amendment to Certificate of Compliance

On February 10, 2003, NRC issued an amendment to the Model No. WE-1 transportation package, Certificate of Compliance No. 71-9289. Framatome ANP, Inc., requested that the certificate be modified to include unirradiated Pathfinder research fuel as contents. The package will be used to transport fuel from a university research reactor to another research facility to perform benchmark experiments on higher enrichment fuel.

#### Interim Compensatory Measures for Category III Fuel Cycle Licensees

On February 6, 2003, the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards issued orders immediately modifying the licenses of Category III fuel cycle facilities to require interim compensatory security measures. The orders require the licensees to provide a response, within 20 days, containing their implementation plans.

<u>Meetings with State of Wyoming and Department of Energy - Western Nuclear Uranium Mill Tailings Site</u>

Staff from the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards met with staff from the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ) in Cheyenne, Wyoming, on February 4, 2003, and then with staff from the Department of Energy (DOE) in Grand Junction, Colorado, on February 5, 2003. The main purpose of these meetings was to present NRC's preliminary conclusions on the Western Nuclear Incorporated (WNI) proposal to use institutional controls and an alternate water supply for certain residential off-site properties near the Sherwood uranium mill tailings site. Additional issues were also discussed with both parties at the meetings, including general groundwater issues, Title I reviews, and license termination issues. Both the WDEQ and DOE will provide letters to NRC summarizing their positions on the WNI issue.

#### West Valley Bill Introduced in U.S. House of Representatives

Three members of the U.S. House of Representatives have introduced a bill (the Houghton-Quinn-Reynolds West Valley Bill) to transfer responsibility for all nuclear waste currently at the West Valley Demonstration Project site to the Department of Energy by no later than September 30, 2004, in exchange for a one-time payment from the State of New York. The payment would consist of all the funds held by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority for the maintenance of radioactive waste solidified under the West Valley Demonstration Project. The transfer of responsibility for the waste would not include the waste disposed of in the State-licensed disposal area.

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## Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### Technical Basis for Large Early Release Frequency Significance Determination Process

In response to a Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) user need, the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) has developed a technical basis for a containment significance determination process. This technical basis has been published as NUREG-1765, "Basis Document for Large Early Release Frequency (LERF) Significance Determination Process (SDP): Inspection Findings that May Affect LERF." This report provides the technical basis for NRR's Manual Chapter 0609, Appendix H, "Containment Integrity Significance Determination Process (SDP)." This report presents a discussion of the various Structures, Systems and Components (SSC), their role in nuclear safety, and the physical processes to produce an assessment of importance of the SSC to LERF considerations. This also supports the agency's performance goal to reduce unnecessary burden on stakeholders by de-emphasizing activities in areas of low risk importance.

# Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Materials Subcommittee and full ACRS Committee

On February 5-6, 2003, the Division of Engineering Technology staff made presentations to the ACRS Materials Subcommittee and the full ACRS Committee on the re-evaluation of the technical basis for the Pressurized Thermal Shock (PTS) screening criteria in 10 CFR 50.61. The revised basis was developed using state-of-art Probabilistic Risk Assessment (PRA), thermal-hydraulics, and fracture mechanics methodologies and data. The basis could be used to reduce unnecessary conservatism in the PTS screening criteria and consequently, reduce unnecessary burden on plants that are projected to approach the screening criteria late in life.

## Package Performance Study (PPS) Test Protocols

The test protocols for the Package Performance Study have been published for comment on the NRC Website effective February 13, 2003. The report, NUREG-1768, is entitled, "US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Package Performance Study Test Protocols." The Federal Register Notice will be published shortly announcing the availability of the report with a public comment period of 90 days. The public comment period will close on May 30, 2003. Public meetings are planned for Rockville, MD, Las Vegas & Pahrump, NV, and Chicago, IL, during the weeks of March 3, 10, & 17, 2003, to present the report and to accept comments. This report will be sent to those individuals on the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards/Spent Fuel Project Office mailing list for PPS.

#### Standardized Plant Analysis Risk Models (SPAR) Model Development

On February 4-6, 2003, the Division of Risk Analysis and Applications staff performed an onsite QA review of the Level 1, Revision 3i SPAR model for Seabrook. This review was conducted in conjunction with NRR's benchmarking of the SDP Notebook for the plant. The initial comparison of the SPAR model with the licensee's PRA revealed significant differences between the dominant contributors to the overall core damage frequency in the SPAR model as

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opposed to the licensee's PRA. Following discussions with the licensee's PRA staff, the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory PRA analyst made a number of changes to the SPAR model, primarily with respect to specific support system success criteria and operating configuration, to make the model more consistent with the as-built, as-operated plant. A subsequent comparison prior to the end of the site visit between the risk achievement worths generated by the SPAR model and those generated by the licensee's PRA yielded better agreement. Further changes to the SPAR model to address the remainder of the review comments are expected to improve these comparisons even more before the revision effort is completed. Including Seabrook, 53 Revision 3i SPAR models have received an onsite QA review.

Public Meeting on Alternative Methods of providing data in Monthly Operating Reports (MORs)

Representatives from the licensees, the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO), the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI), and staff from NRR and RES met on February 13, to discuss alternatives to licensees submitting MOR data. Specifically, the meeting discussed the possible use of the Consolidated Data Entry (CDE) system being developed by INPO. In 2004, utilities will input data to CDE; the CDE system will then develop data for the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP), WANO indicators, MORs, and the Equipment Performance and Information Exchange system. Current plans are for the ROP and MOR data developed by CDE to then be submitted to NRC.

The meeting also discussed 1) eliminating any MOR data that may not be needed by NRC, 2) the frequency of reporting MOR data, and 3) eliminating the requirement in the Technical Specifications to report these data. The attendees agreed to pursue the option of having MOR data input to CDE and submitted electronically on a quarterly basis (instead of monthly) to the NRC as part of the ROP reporting process. This option will be discussed further at the next meeting of the Licensing Action Task Force (LATF) and possibly at an external meeting prior to the LATF meeting.

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## Nuclear Security and Incident Response Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### Top Officials (TOPOFF) 2 Update

The Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response continues preparations for the NRC's participation in TOPOFF2, the second Congressionally-mandated, national-level exercise, involving weapons of mass destruction. The TOPOFF2 program, co-chaired by the Departments of Justice (DOJ) and State, consists of a year-long series of increasing-complexity training, and limited-scope exercise activities, leading to the exercise in May 2003.

NRC participated in two TOPOFF2 activities this week: the Advanced Distance Learning Exercise (ADLE), held on February 10 and 12, 2003; and the Direction and Control Seminar (DCS), held on February 11, 2003. The ADLE consisted of a series of DOJ-sponsored training modules applicable to emergency response for terrorism events involving weapons of mass destruction. The DCS was a moderated, live-panel discussion of TOPOFF2 scenario vignettes by representatives of Federal, state, and local response agencies. Both the ADLE and DCS were televised, via satellite broadcast, and NRC staff monitored the broadcasts in the Operations Center.

## Montgomery County Emergency Management Group Quarterly Meeting

On February 12, 2003, the Division of Incident Response Operations briefed the Montgomery County Emergency Management Group on the Federal Radiological Emergency Response Plan, and the NRC's response to radiological emergencies. Montgomery County will conduct an exercise involving a radiological dispersal device on March 25, 2003. The Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency gave a presentation summarizing Department of Energy and other Federal agency assets that are available for radiological events, but did not indicate their involvement in this exercise. Details of the exercise scenario were not provided. Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency has advised NRC that the only Federal agency that will participate in this exercise is the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

# Nuclear Security and Incident Response Training Session on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Response Technical Manual

Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR) conducted the third in a series of training sessions on the NRC's Response Technical Manual (RTM). The RTM is a compilation of technical tools and references for assessing reactor plant conditions, licensee event classification, and offsite dose consequences from a reactor emergency and release of radioactive materials. NSIR is scheduling several additional training sessions which will be conducted in Headquarters and the Regions in 2003.

#### **Preliminary Notifications**

1. PNO-IV-03-009, Scottsdale Memorial Health Services Co., Inc. - BRACHYTHERAPY SEEDS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

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## Office of Administration Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### **Contract Awards**

Contract No. NRC-02-03-005 entitled "Technical Assistance for Support of Gas Centrifuge Facility Licensing" was awarded to Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) on February 7, 2003. This is a "work-for-others" award to SwRI to maintain essential capabilities at the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA). The total estimated cost of this effort is \$839,991. This is a cost-plus-fixed-fee performance-based task ordering type contract. The period of performance is February 7, 2003 through September 30, 2005. The following streamlining initiatives were used in awarding this contract: (1) class justification for other than full and open competition; (2) waiver of audit requirements; and (3) simplified evaluation report.

Contract No. NRC-33-03-311 entitled "Government Information Security Reform Act Remediation Support" was awarded to Artel, Inc. on February 13, 2003. The contract period of performance is one-year with three one-year options. The total estimated contract amount is \$2,153,038 (including the option periods). This is a fixed-price, labor-hour, indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity type contract, awarded under the Small Business Administration 8(a) program. The following streamlining initiative was used in awarding this contract: one member Source Evaluation Panel (SEP).

As a result of a competitive acquisition between GSA multiple award schedule vendors, a fixed price type delivery order no. DR-10-03-155 was awarded to Lee Technologies, Inc. on February 13, 2003 for removal of an existing uninterruptable power supply and installation of a new unit in the NRC Data Center. The delivery order runs for 60 days for installation and is priced at \$137,000. The delivery order was awarded using the simplified acquisition waiver of procurement synopsis by the program office of the Statement of Work and a two member SEP.

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## Chief Information Officer Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### **Project Matrix**

Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) and the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response (NSIR) staff attended a two day Project Matrix training session this week and met with representatives from the Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office (CIAO), who are now part of the Department of Homeland Security. All Federal agencies will be required to complete a Project Matrix review this fiscal year. Project Matrix provides a standardized process that will enable Federal agencies to determine which of its services and functions can be categorized as "nationally critical". OCIO and NSIR will work with each NRC office to facilitate and coordinate the steps required to complete the Project Matrix review at NRC.

Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Requests received during the period of February 7 through February 13, 2003:

Tarapur facilities, India & shipments of nuclear fuel, Referral by Department of State (FOIA/PA-2003-0158)

OI Report 2-2001-0131 and exhibits (FOIA/PA-2003-0159)

Reactor oversight process survey of NRC staff, copy of questions and survey results (FOIA/PA-2003-0160)

Applied Radiant Energy Corporation, Material License 45-11496-02 and 11496-01, license renewal, correspondence, inspection reports, from 1965 through 1999 (FOIA/PA-2003–0161)

Joseph M. Farley plant, 11-19-97 response to request for additional information (FOIA/PA-2003-0162)

Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Bloomfield, NJ, outcome of NRC review of groundwater (FOIA/PA-2003-0163)

Immuna Care Corporation (license no. 37-28726-01), inspection reports, notices of violations, and enforcement actions (FOIA/PA-2003-0164)

IE Bulletin 79-17, Revision 1, memorandum of 4-1-81 from W. J. Collins through R. W. Woodruff (FOIA/PA-2003-0165)

Michigan Department of Natural Resources site in Kawkawlin, MI, all records for 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 (FOIA/PA-2003-0166)

Nuclear waste shipment accidents, classified by state, transportation phase, by community, by class of material, by casualty (FOIA/PA-2003-0167)

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Bridgeport Testing Lab Inc., response to 10 CFR Part 21 inquiry, letter and enclosures (FOIA/PA-2003-0168)

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## Office of Public Affairs Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### Media Interest

Media interest continued to focus on emergency preparedness for Indian Point. The Chairman's correspondence to Senator Clinton regarding the Witt Report received extensive coverage, as did his Thursday testimony on Capitol Hill.

The NRC's order for tougher inspection requirements on PWR vessel heads received wide coverage, along with reports of sump pump problems at Davis-Besse.

OPA received numerous calls from the public asking about fallout shelters and security at nuclear power plants (particularly in Minnesota and Illinois).

Public Affairs supported the 0350 Davis-Besse public meetings this week, which were covered by two TV crews, Associated Press and several newspapers. About 70 people attended the 2 p.m. meeting, and about 90 to 100 attended the 7 p.m. session.

Press Releases				
Headquarter	Headquarters:			
03-019	NRC Orders Modifications to Pressurized Water Reactor Vessel Head Inspections			
03-020	NRC Licensing Board Invites Public to Speak March 23 and 24 in California on Diablo Canyon Proposal			
03-021	NRC To Hold 15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Regulatory Information Conference April 16-18 In Washington, D.C.			
03-022	Chairman Meserve Elected To National Academy of Engineering			
03-023	NRC To Hold A Public Meeting Feb. 24 To Discuss Reactor Vessel Head Inspection Order			
Regions:				
I-03-004	NRC Issues Confirmatory Action Letter to Union City, N.J., Medical Firm			
I-03-005	NOTE TO EDITORS: NRC Chairman's Correspondence to Senator Clinton Regarding the Witt Associates Report on Indian Point			
I-03-006	NRC Proposes \$3,000 Fine for PABased Nuclear Medicine Company			
I-03-007	NRC Assigns New Resident Inspector To Ginna Nuclear Plant			
II-03-005	NRC Staff To Hold Open Meeting With Virginia Power and Framatome On February 10 In Richmond To Discuss Reactor Head Replacement			

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II-03-006	NRC Proposes \$9,000 Fine Against University Of Puerto Rico For Violating
	NRC Radioactive Material Safety Requirements

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## Office of the Secretary Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

	Document Released to Public	Date	Subject	
Dec	cision Documents			
1.	SRM on SECY-02-0194	02/12/03	Options for Addressing Part 35 Training and Experience Issues Associated with Recognition of Specialty Boards by NRC	
	Commission Voting Record on 02-0194	02/12/03	(same)	
Info	Information Papers			
1.	SECY-03-0021	02/13/03	SECY-03-0021 - Weekly Information Report - Week Ending February 7, 2003	
Ме	Memoranda			
1.	SRM-M030204	02/12/03	Staff Requirements - Briefing on Lessons Learned: Davis-Besse Reactor Vessel Head Degradation	
2.	SRM-M030123B	02/13/03	Staff Requirements - Briefing on Status of Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards Programs - Materials Safety	
3.	SRM-M030214	02/14/03	Staff Requirements - Affirmation Session SECY-03-0014 - Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant Units 1 and 2), Docket Nos. 50-275-LT, 50- 323-LT	
4.	SRM-M030210	02/14/03	Staff Requirements - Briefing on Status of Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Programs, Performance and Plans	

## Commission Correspondence

- 1. Letter to Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton dated February 12, 2003, responds to request for review of recent draft report prepared by James Lee Witt Associates, LLC, for the governor of the State of New York, regarding emergency preparedness at the Indian Point and Millstone facilities.
- 2. Letter to Representative Sue W. Kelly, dated February 12, 2003, responds to request for review of recent draft report prepared by James Lee Witt Associates, LLC, for the

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- Governor of the State of New York, regarding emergency preparedness at the Indian Point and Millstone facilities.
- 3. Letter to Representative Christopher Shays, dated February 12, 2003, responds to request for review of recent draft report prepared by James Lee Witt Associates, LLC, for the governor of the State of New York, regarding emergency preparedness at the Indian Point and Millstone facilities.
- 4. Letter to Senator Ted Stevens, Chairman, Committee on Appropriations, dated February 6, 2003, provides summary of actions taken by the NRC in response to recommendations contained in various General Accounting Office reports that address NRC activities.
- 5. Letter to Congress dated January 28, 2003, provides November report on the status of NRC's licensing and regulatory duties.

#### Federal Register Notices Issued

- 1. ACRS Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures Notice of Meeting.
- 2. Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Notice of Meeting
- 3. ASLBP Designation of Presiding Officer Nuclear Fuel Services, Erwin, TN (Material License Amendment 2) Notice.

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## Region I Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### Heritage Minerals, Inc. (NJ) Site Visit

Region I staff met with licensee property owners and Heritage Mineral's legal counsel and contractor staff at the Lakehurst, NJ site on February 7, 2003, to discuss additional remediation plans. The site, which is on the NRC's Site Decommissioning Management Plan (SDMP) list of contaminated sites, was remediated in 2001 but did not meet NRC guidelines for unrestricted use due to residual contamination remaining in soil and mill buildings. In response to an enforcement conference held in the Region, the licensee expects to submit a plan and schedule to complete the decommissioning activities within the next several weeks. New contract work under this plan will include removal of remaining licensable material in outdoor areas, cleaning of contaminated interior equipment and structures, demolition of the wet mill and dry mill process buildings, and shipment of materials offsite. Once initiated, additional remediation required to satisfy unrestricted release guidelines is expected to take several months.

## Follow-up New Hampshire IMPEP Review

On February 4-6, 2003, a follow-up Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) review was performed of the New Hampshire Agreement State program. The review team consisted of the Region I State Agreements Officer and a senior staff member from the Office of State and Tribal Programs. The IMPEP team reviewed the State's performance since the June 2001 IMPEP for the indicators Status of Materials Inspection Program, Technical Staffing and Training, and Legislation and Program Elements Required for Compatibility. The team noted that five of six recommendations from the 2001 IMPEP review remain open. The team will prepare a draft report within 30 days. The final determination on the New Hampshire program will be made by the Management Review Board.

#### Management Review Board for Rhode Island IMPEP Review

On February 3, 2003 the Management Review Board (MRB) approved the recommendations made by a three-member team for the Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) review conducted November 18-22, 2002 of the Rhode Island Radiation Control Program. The MRB found the State's program adequate, but in need of improvement and better compatibility with NRC regulations. The MRB adopted the team's recommendation that the program be placed in a period of heightened oversight with a follow-up review to be performed in approximately one year.

#### Congressional Inquiries Regarding Indian Point

On February 12, 2003, the Chairman, the Region I Regional Administrator, and the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, met with several members of Congress to discuss issues related to Indian Point.

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## Region II Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

## Region II Licensing Counterparts' Meeting

On February 12, 2003, the Director, Division of Reactor Projects, the Deputy Director, Division of Reactor Safety and the Director, Project Directorate II, NRR, attended the Region II Licensing Counterpart Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

## **Incident Investigation Training**

On February 13-14, 2003, the Director, Division of Reactor Safety attended the Incident Investigation Training closure activities in Hunt Valley, MD.

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## Region III Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

#### NRC Davis-Besse Oversight Panel Public Meetings

On February 11, 2003, the NRC Davis-Besse Oversight Panel held two meetings at the Camp Perry Ohio National Guard facility in Oak Harbor, Ohio. The first meeting was between the panel and FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Co. officials to discuss the status of activities at the Davis-Besse plant, including preparations for refueling the reactor. The second meeting was an evening public session to review NRC activities involving Davis-Besse and to respond to questions and concerns from the public.

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## Office of Congressional Affairs Items of Interest Week Ending February 14, 2003

CONGRESSIONAL HEARING SCHEDULE, NO. 4					
OCA Contact	DATE & PLACE	TIME	WITNESS	SUBJECT	COMMITTEE
Portner	02/25/03 SD-366	10:00	Secretary Abraham	FY04 Budget: Energy Department	Senators Domenici/Bingaman Energy and Natural Resources
Madden/ McDermott	02/25/03 2167 RHOB	2:00	TBA	Emergency Preparedness Plan at Indian Point Nuclear Plant	Reps. LaTourette/Costello Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management Transportation & Infrastructure

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